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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action issued on March 29, 2006, Applicants hereby submit this Amendment and Response together with a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.114. Applicant hereby requests, under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), an extension of time of three (3) months, until September 29, 2006, for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The fees for the extension of time of \$510 (small entity) are to be paid by credit card pursuant to the credit card payment form submitted herewith. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment, any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 19-3140. Applicants claim small entity status.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-3, 58-61, 63-66 and 68-71 and add new claims 72-74 as follows: